

Applicant: Matti Hietaniemi
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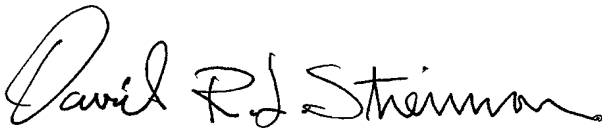
Remarks

Claims 20–39 remain pending in the application. In the Office action dated Jan. 29, 2008, claims 27–30 were indicated as allowable if rewritten in independent form. Claims 20–26 and 31–39 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) over Hautala et al.

Claims 27–30 were indicated as being allowable for providing at least one mixing device. Claim 29 has been rewritten in independent form. Independent claim 20 has been amended to provide a mixing device, and independent claims 31 and 37 have been amended to include process steps employing a mixing device. Claim 31 has been amended to clarify that one of the stock flows has not flowed through the hydrocyclone plant. In light of the reasons for allowance, it is submitted that the remaining claims, as amended, are now also in condition for allowance.

Applicant believes that no new matter has been added by this amendment. Favorable action thereon is respectfully solicited.

Respectfully submitted,



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